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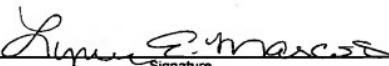
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THEREOF**Examiner:** Not Yet Assigned**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND SPECIES ELECTION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement and species election set forth in the Office Action mailed April 17, 2008, Applicant hereby elects Group 1 (Claims 1-15 and 38-41, drawn to metastin derivatives) and Compound 385, as well as, the election of "treat or prevent hormone-dependent cancer" for continued examination.

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